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The period February-March was spent developing with the North Carolina Region G Planning Agency a project for use of ERTS-1 imagery. A photogeology class started using ERTS-1 imagery in an attempt to evaluate its usefulness. An exhibit of ERTS-1 images was prepared for the Design School by a student to acquaint a group of potential users with the imagery. Work was continued in studying the usefulness of the imagery in mapping of floodplains in the Coastal Plains region of North Carolina, and ERTS-1 imagery was used in an ongoing study of urban forests in the Raleigh area.

Perusal of the imagery coming in during this period reenforced the opinion that one of its most valuable uses will be monitoring of the water masses in the North Carolina coastal area.

Funds for completing the project are about gone.

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## ERTS and Multispectral Photography

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### Abstract

ERTS-1 imagery can be used to study a wide variety of phenomena. For the geologist its most apparent use is in structural studies. Lineaments are conveniently mapped in many cases, and a regionwide, synoptic view of the structural geology may be obtained. Other uses include land use studies, highway route planning, and studies related to water quality in large bodies of water.

Multispectral photography has been used only limitedly in solving geologic problems, but it has been used successfully in conjunction with vegetative studies, water quality studies, and with studies of marshes.

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